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Marginal Column

By GEORGE LEONOF

FEW political declarations in recent years could match the suave blitheness of Mr. Dulles' statement at his press conference last Tuesday that the United States and Britain "have given no thought" to changing their mind regarding the decision to remove their forces from Zone "A" of the Free Territory of Trieste and handing it over to the Italians. It was almost too good to be true, bringing back as it did wistful reminiscences of those palmy, sub-sonic days when the world had not yet made it a habit of gulping down its daily ration of international tension in the form of black headlines with coffee at the breakfast table. One envies the American Secretary of State his formidable peace of mind and the blase mastery with which he fiddles while Rome burns and Belgrade blusters. But the strings play somewhat false.

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IN 1948, shortly before Marshal Tito broke with the Cominform, the United States was the prime mover in a declaration which the Allies gracefully laid at the threshold of the Italian elections of that year. It promised support of Italian claims to the entire Territory of Trieste, and was rather obviously intended to embarrass the uncomfortably strong opposition to Signor de Gasperi's Christian Democrats offered by the Communists and Socialists — then still committed to the unpopular policy of supporting Yugoslav claims. Despite Marshal Tito's conciliation with the West, this declaration was never officially modified or retracted. It was not exactly in line with the agreed plans of the Allies to internationalize the territory, but it did not perceptibly lower the temperature of the cold war and, with Yugoslav troops stationed in Zone "B," Italy's ambition in the area did not appear realizable short of war. Then last week Washington and London tore up an irritating section of the Italian peace treaty and announced the imminent withdrawal of their troops from Zone "A," which would then revert to the Italians. Neither Rome nor Belgrade was forewarned of this decision. Mr. Dulles has said that there were good reasons for this — but did not state them. This is understandable, for however attractive these reasons may have seemed at the time the decision was made, their appearance has been somewhat marred by developments following announcement of Allied intentions.

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FOR one thing, the declaration deliberately avoided reference to Zone "B," which was doubly unfortunate. In Italy it was taken as foreboding possible Allied reneging on the 1948 declaration; Belgrade, perversely, feared that the Italians had been tacitly assured that Anglo-American support still stood for their claim also to Zone "B." The atmosphere hardly improved when Tito deliberately burned diplomatic bridges behind him by declaring that the entry of Italian troops into Zone "A" would be taken as evidence of the rebirth of Italian expansionism in the Adriatic, and opposed by forces of arms.

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IN the face of these developments it is strange to hear that the U.S. and Britain "have not given any thought" to changing their mind. In fact, there is good evidence which points to the contrary. In the same press conference Mr. Dulles admitted that the possibility of a five-power conference on the matter is being explored, and while he did not say so, the main difficulty appears to be Yugoslavia's insistence that the Anglo-American declaration be retracted or modified before she agrees to discuss the issue with the Big Three and Italy, while Italy is just as insistent that any discussion of the question must be based on this very declaration.

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ABOVE all, Trieste is another annoying thorn in the side of the European Defence Community, over whose birth the mountains are still labouring. Italy is an important member of the E.D.C., while Yugoslavia is a no less coveted ally in plans for the defence of southern Europe. Mr. Dulles threw some light on this when he said that the basic problem (from the big power viewpoint) is not Trieste itself. He added that in conversations between Yugoslavia, Greece and Turkey, and between Belgrade and the U.S. Chiefs of Staff, planners continue to run up against the Trieste dilemma — "an obstacle in way of larger planning which is far more important than the particular distribution of the Trieste area."

Jerusalem, October 22.

Tito Accepts Big-3 Bid As Italy Troops Move

GORIZIA, Wednesday. — Italy's best American-equipped NATO divisions today turned the 75-mile frontier area with Yugoslavia into a vast armoured camp. Hundreds of U.S.-built Patton tanks lined the side streets of this city on the Italian-Yugoslav border and in nearby villages.

On the Yugoslav side, Marshal Tito was reported to have brought up the same type of American tanks last week.

Paratroops of the crack Italian Folgore (Thunderbolt) division were busily stringing telephone cables as though intending to remain. Armoured patrols, under cover of darkness, took up alert positions within yards of Yugoslavia and Zone A of Trieste.

In Rome today, Communists and Fascists fought in the streets in the second straight day of brawling over Trieste. Police broke up the worst clash in the Via Nizza, near the headquarters of the Communist Italian Partisans' Association by a jeep charge into the crowd which numbered more than 1,800. Thirty persons were detained by police and then released.

In New York, the Security Council voted yesterday to postpone further debate on the Trieste situation for almost a fortnight while Britain, France and the U.S. attempted to work out a solution). *(Reuter, UP)*

Talks with USSR 'Dangerous'—Dulles

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said yesterday that the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers believed few things would be more dangerous than a meeting with Soviet leaders "which produced the illusion of agreement, without the reality of agreement."

Mr. Dulles did not refer specifically in his speech to Sir Winston Churchill's proposal for a top-level meeting between West and Soviet heads of Government.

Mr. Dulles appealed for a burial of Italo-Yugoslav differences over Trieste in the interests of the safety of South Europe as a whole.

He stated that Trieste is an area of historical bitternesses. A new concept is in the making which could bury these harsh feelings.

It would draw Yugoslavia together with Italy and the other North Atlantic Treaty Organization Allies in a common strategy designed to ensure the safety and well-being of South Europe. Yugoslavia cannot be secure as an independent nation without association with its NATO neighbours — Turkey, Greece and Italy.

On the Israel-Jordan question, he said:

"We considered the grave incidents of violence which mar Israel's relations with her neighbours. It was the U.N. which had played an essential part in creating the State of Israel, and we felt that this was clearly an occasion to invoke the concept of decent respect for the opinion of mankind as represented by the U.N. So we agreed to join in asking the U.N. Security Council to take jurisdiction of this matter."

Communists Agree On Site for Talks

PANMUNJOM, Wednesday (Reuter). — The Communists said today that it would "be most appropriate" to hold the preliminary conference on the Korea issue starting on October 26 in the buildings where the Truce had been signed.

They made the statement at a meeting of the Military Armistice secretaries in answer to repeated questions by the U.N. on a site for the talks.

The U.N. has stated that it wishes the talks to be held in new buildings on the Military Demarcation Line and not in the Truce buildings which are in Communist-controlled territory.

The Communists today released an American soldier, Pvt. Edward Dickenson, 23, who refused repatriation, but changed his mind and asked to be sent home.

He is the first prisoner to be repatriated since the end of the operation, when those prisoners who wanted to go home were exchanged.

The Defence Department in Washington said today that all anti-Communist Chinese and North Korean prisoners who have refused to attend Communist "explanation" sessions at Panmunjom would be freed on January 27, the latest date on which they can be held by the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission.

USSR Press Attack Dims Hopes for Lugano Talks

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — A powerful barrage of bitter Soviet propaganda attacks on the U.S. and Britain dimmed hopes today that the Kremlin will accept the West's latest invitation for a Four Power Conference at Lugano on November 9.

The leading Soviet press organs today announced and denounced alleged secret American plans to revive the German pre-War Army, and extended their attacks to Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill for the first time since Premier Malenkov came to power.

Official quarters interpreted these attacks as "a first but sure indication" that Moscow is preparing the ground for a virtual rejection of the West's project for Foreign Ministers talks on a German and Austrian settlement.

Churchill Asks Confidence Vote On Guiana Action

LONDON, Wednesday. — Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill tonight demanded a vote of confidence on his Government's action in rushing troops to British Guiana and suspending the Constitution in fear of a Communist coup.

He took the action as deposed Guiana Premier Dr. Cheddi Jagan and Education Minister L.F.S. Burnham arrived here by air to protest that there was any Communist plot in the Colony.

Churchill's Government tabled a motion asking the House to approve "the action of Her Majesty's Government in British Guiana."

It was learned that a representative of the Labour Party was waiting for Dr. Jagan with an invitation to meet Mr. Clement Attlee, the Opposition leader in the House of Commons.

Dr. Jagan was asked at Amsterdam airport whether he would try to see Sir Winston Churchill. "We will try to see everyone," he replied.

Denies Communist Affiliation

Asked, "Do you consider yourself to be a Marxist?", he answered, "That is debatable." He denied that he and his wife are members of the Communist Party. "There is no Communist Party in British Guiana. The People's Progressive Party had never had any contact with Russia, he insisted.

Reports from Georgetown said that two companies of Argylls and Sutherland Highlanders, rushed from Britain, had landed today to take up guard duty.

Four prominent members of the People's Progressive Party conferred today with Mr. Henry Hopkinson, British Minister of State for Colonial Affairs, at Government House in Georgetown. Janet Jagan, the Party's secretary, was not among them.

A source close to the Party said that Mrs. Jagan had wanted the Party to decline the invitation. *(Reuter, U.P.)*

Goldstein Hits U.S. For Stopping Aid

NEW YORK, Wednesday (UP). — More than 20,000 members of this city's Jewish Community last night cheered as Dr. Israel Goldstein said that the peace of which "Jerusalem is the symbol" will not be helped "by withholding aid as an instrument of unwarranted duress."

Dr. Goldstein, Chairman of the Jerusalem Anniversary Committee, spoke before an audience gathered in Madison Square Garden to commemorate the 3,000th anniversary of the founding of that city.

Speaking of the high state of international tension that has followed the acts of violence along the Israel-Arab border, he added "peace will not be helped by one-sided condemnation.

"We have heard the condemnation of a particular act of reprisal," he continued, "but we have heard no comment on the continuous violence and bloodshed which preceded it.

'Pernicious Hostility'

"We have heard nothing in condemnation of the pernicious hostility which has bred all this tension — the refusal of the Arab States to make peace with Israel, their unabated offensive against Israel in so many spheres including nightly raids against Israel's territory."

In New York today, a completely contrary view was taken by the American Council for Judaism which said that a "policy of impartiality as announced by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles offers the best hope for restoring the confidence and prestige which had been lost because of resentment at the part played by America in the creation of Israel."

Wagner Calls Dulles' Decision 'Cruel Action'

NEW YORK, Wednesday (UP). Criticism of Israel made yesterday by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles was attacked today by Mr. Robert F. Wagner, Jr., Democratic candidate for Mayor.

"I am shocked and outraged," Mr. Wagner said in a statement issued from his Hotel Biltmore headquarters, "at the intemperate and cruel action by the Secretary of State in withholding grants-in-aid from the State of Israel because of alleged border violations.

"Apparently, without thorough investigation or even reasonable deliberation, Mr. Dulles acted with uncharacteristic alacrity to punish the greatest democracy for democracy and freedom in the Middle East.

"Why this forceful rebuke to Israel?" Mr. Wagner asked. "In this year alone, thus far, the Arab forces in Jordan have been responsible for 160 border violations which resulted in the slaughter of 123 Israel citizens without the slightest protest by the Secretary of State."

Discord on Renewed Talks on Suez Canal

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). —The failure of today's meeting between British and Egyptian negotiators in Cairo to agree on the Suez Canal dispute is thought in diplomatic quarters here to be due to disagreement on the type of "emergency" for which Egypt would allow British troops to return to the Zone.

Today's meeting was previously described by an Egyptian spokesman in Cairo as "decisive," but the British Embassy there said that there would be a further meeting later.

Information issued before the session was that Egypt interpreted Britain's agreement to withdraw her 80,000-strong garrison if Western forces were allowed back "in an emergency" to mean a return if an Arab League state were attacked.

But Britain insists that an "emergency" should cover invasion of any one of a wider group of Middle East countries, including Turkey.

Reports from Cairo say that the Egyptians conferred alone for an hour before and after the four-hour private meeting. When the Minister for National Guidance, Major Salah Salem came out, he appeared downcast and would say only that no agreement had been reached.

Namir Asks Support Of Labour in West

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. Mr. Mordecai Namir, Secretary General of the Histadrut, tonight expressed the hope that the labour movements of the U.S., Britain and France would stand by Israel to push back the "hostile forces threatening its just enterprise."

Opening a meeting of the Labour Federations' Central Committee, he said that the country is experiencing difficult days in the political and security spheres, and that enemies, wherever they may be, have united to harm it. None of those who show their spite against us today did anything when innocent blood was being spilt on the borders in recent years, he recalled.

"We reject with contempt any attempt to accuse our country of aggression," Mr. Namir continued, adding that Israel has sought peace at all times.

"We call upon all Histadrut members to be on their guard, ready and devoted to the interest of the State," he concluded.

Arab Legion Changes

Kassim Mohammed has replaced Kamel A-Naji as Commander of the Arab Legion in the Ramallah area, which includes Kibya, in a reshuffle of Arab Legion area commanders and officers, "Falastin," Old City daily reported yesterday.

Commander Naji has been transferred to the Old City, where he will serve as Legion Regional Commander.

Suleiman Subhi el Ameri, who was recently transferred from the Old City to Irbid, is now being replaced there by Major Mohammed Muaitah, Jordan representative and signer of the Rhodes Armistice Agreement.

According to "A-Diffa," another Old City daily, the changes include 12 Legion lieutenants and sergeants from Regional Headquarters at Ramallah.

IBN SAUD, CRITICALLY ILL, GIVEN OXYGEN

BEIRUT, Wednesday. — Oxygen is being administered to King Ibn Saud, critically ill with angina pectoris (a heart ailment) in Ta'ef, Saudi Arabia, it was learned here today.

An ARAMCO plane has been transporting oxygen cylinders from Dharan to Ta'ef. Prince Fahed, the King's son, arrived here today from Europe on his way home.

The King has rejected the pleas of his doctors that he be transferred from Ta'ef in the hills to lower altitudes.

Israel Agrees to Consider U.S. Plan For Development of Jordan River

Israel to Keep Silent on Halt in Aid

By a Political Correspondent

There is not likely to be any official Israel Government reaction to the statement by Secretary of State Dulles confirming the withholding of the U.S. Grant-in-Aid to Israel.

Eisenhower Concurs

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (INA). — President Eisenhower, at a press conference today, made known that he was consulted by Secretary of State Dulles on the Arab-Israel situation and participated with approval in the decision to cut off U.S. economic aid for Israel. Asked whether suspension of aid had been discussed by him with Mr. Dulles, the President answered affirmatively in a firm and emphatic tone.

It is felt that it is entirely a matter for the U.S. to decide whether to make a Grant-in-Aid or not, and just when to do so. This attitude is welcomed and understood in diplomatic circles here, who feel that a marked and dignified silence on the part of Israel is far more effective an expression of opinion than any formal protest.

It should also be noted that although the action of the U.S. was taken ostensibly to uphold the authority of the United Nations, it is almost impossible to escape the conclusion that it stems from rather less altruistic and ethical motives. Rather, it would seem to be the latest result of the new turn in the policy of the State Department which is determined to win the friendship and sympathy of the Arab States by showing clearly that the U.S. cherishes little special kindness for Israel.

It is a pity that officials in the State Department, in formulating this policy, apparently in connivance with Great Britain, have ignored Britain's bitter experience of the past few years. Her efforts to placate the Arabs proved futile, and she is still suffering the consequences in the forced surrender of all her positions in the Middle East, including the £500m Suez Canal installations, while even at this very moment, Jordan is rallying at British leadership of her Arab Legion.

It is felt that it will prove to have been hardly worth while for America to have put Israel's friendship to such a brutal strain. It is interesting to note, that the actual wording of the Act of Congress passed in 1951 instituting the Grant-in-Aid policy, is a clear indication that the present crisis has been utilized for the purposes of the new Middle East policy of the State Department.

The Act provides that the President may, at his discretion, suspend aid if he determines that the furnishing of such assistance would contravene a decision of the U.N. Security Council. It is difficult to see how the delay on the part of Israel to comply with an order of a U.N. official in charge of a Truce Supervision Organization can be interpreted as such a contravention.

Security Council To Meet Tomorrow

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday. — General Vagn Bennike, U.N. Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization, is due to arrive here tomorrow afternoon, and is to appear before the Security Council on Friday morning with a "new blueprint for security" in Palestine.

Informed sources in Damascus said that this will suggest that an international force keep watch on the Israel-Arab frontier. The force, which would be attached to the U.N., would maintain peace and preserve the neutrality of the demilitarized zones. These sources also said that Britain, France and the U.S. are already willing to adopt the proposal.

General Bennike, stopping over in London today, said that new violence between Israel and her Arab neighbours was "quite possible."

Stopping in Beirut on his way to the U.S., General Bennike was quoted as saying that inquiry had proved that the attack against Kibya was launched by regular Israel troops and not by frontier guards, as an Israel spokesman had claimed.

The Security Council had tentatively scheduled a meeting for tomorrow to consider the Syrian complaint against alleged attempts by Israel to divert the Jordan River. The meeting was postponed for one day, however, in order to give General Bennike time to arrive and to report before going ahead with the agenda.

The Council might meet on Monday to hear the Syrian complaint or it might decide to continue with the Three-Power item on Palestine. The 11-nation group also has before it Israel's counter-complaint (full text on Page 2) on which it has yet to take action before putting it on the agenda. *(U.P., Reuter)*

Western Missions In Amman Attacked

AMMAN, Wednesday. — Against a background of demonstrations and a three-hour general strike in Arab Palestine, the Political Committee of the Arab League met here this evening in extraordinary session in the office of Jordan Premier Dr. Fawzi Mulki who served as Chairman.

During the day, demonstrators stoned the French Embassy and tried to storm the U.S. Information Services office, but were driven off by Arab Legion guards. Windows were smashed and the American Ambassador's car was wrecked by the mob. Attempts were also made on the British Embassy.

Residents of Nablus and surrounding villages cabled the Political Committee protesting against the League's failure to implement the Collective Security Pact.

On the agenda were the Kibya attack, measures taken by the Jordan Government, the present situation of the Legion and the National Guard and the Palestine question in the light of the Security Council's discussions.

Dr. Mulki recommended that the Arab states give financial aid to Jordan that the National Guard be strengthened, and that punitive measures be taken against Israel in case of a future raid.

It was noted that Egypt, which usually has a strong delegation at Political Committee meetings, today was represented only by its Minister in Amman. The session lasted for two hours after Fawzi Mulki's opening address. Another meeting has been scheduled for tomorrow. *(A.P., Reuter, A.N.A.)*

Z.O.A. TO HOLD SPECIAL SESSION

NEW YORK, Wednesday (INA). — The State Department's action in withholding aid allocated by Congress for Israel, is to be discussed at an extraordinary Conference of Zionist leaders from all parts of the country to be held this Sunday in New York, it was announced here today by the Zionist Organization of America.

An association of 100 reform rabbis in the New York area today adopted a resolution expressing its "gravest concern" over events on the Israel-Arab border.

While General Bennike was on his way to the United Nations, and the Security Council was scheduled to hear his report tomorrow, Israel announced in Washington yesterday it would consider the proposed Jordan valley authority proposed by the U.S.

In Amman, the Arab League's Political Committee met in extraordinary session against a background of a general strike and demonstrations against the Embassies of the U.S., Britain and France.

Mr. Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy, has arrived in Beirut.

Government Not Defying U.N.; No Water Being Diverted

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Israel announced today that she is willing to consider the American-created plan for using Jordan River waters for development projects for the benefit of Israel and the Arab states.

The Israel policy statement was issued here and in New York. It did not make clear, however, whether Israel would give up her own river diversion project if she approves the larger one, which would clear the way for resumption of American economic aid.

This position was set forth in a written statement issued by the Israel Embassy. It was the first official Israel reaction here to Secretary of State Dulles's declaration yesterday that aid has been suspended because Israel is persisting with her hydro-electric project against the objections of the U.N.

The Embassy statement denied that Israel is defying the U.N. The whole matter, it said, has been appealed to the Security Council, and no actual water diversion is taking place at this time.

Reflecting Israel Ambassador Abba Eban's remarks to reporters before he left for the

Jordan Valley Plan In Detail. P.3

Security Council debate in New York, that he will try to show that objections raised against the Israel scheme are not valid, the Embassy statement said that Israel was heavily criticized in a 1951 dispute over the drainage of marshes, but was vindicated after the dispute was thrashed out.

Whether Israel would consent to U.S. mediation looking toward Israel and Arab acceptance of the project as conceived by the Tennessee Valley Authority, which drew up the blueprint, appeared to be in doubt.

Recent Israel statements have been to the effect that regional development problems of this sort should be agreed upon between Israel and her Arab neighbours without "imposition" of projects worked out by a third party.

On other occasions, never.

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U.K. Studies Jordan Plan; Arab Dubious

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — The British Foreign Office is making a "serious and dispassionate" study of the report of the Tennessee Valley Authority on how best to use the waters of the Jordan basin.

The report is based on a study of all the schemes which previously have been put forward on the use of the Jordan waters for the benefit of Israel, Jordan, Syria and the Lebanon.

Diplomatic quarters here think that considerable negotiation between the four states concerned would clearly be necessary if they are all to benefit from the proposed scheme by the T.V.A.

It may mark a great step forward in relations between the governments of the area if agreement could be reached on this basically non-political and technical problem, these quarters thought.

A number of Arab members at the United Nations gave a somewhat dubious first appraisal to the proposal.

Arab sources here said that the immediate obstacle to the ambitious undertaking was that it would require an Authority in which Israel, Jordan and Syria would be participants. The present critical state of relations between both states and Israel rule out any prospect of any early political settlement, these sources insisted. *(Reuter, INA)*

Excitement Over Conflict Wanes

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Judging from yesterday's proceedings at Westminster and today's press comment, the excitement over the Israel-Jordan conflict has now passed, except for some mutterings against Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Minister of Defence in the former Labour Government, which, however belong more to the realm of party politics.

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden and the various speakers in the debate showed an obvious desire to minimize the tension. It was noted, however, that the only effective support for Israel came from the well-known Conservative heretic, Sir Robert Boothby, a determined Independent with a mind of his own.

Labour is still suffering from the shock of Israel's recent retaliatory actions which have upset some earnest moralists.

There is now a vague but general hope that the Security Council will somehow deal with the matter and that Britain will hear no more of it.

British insistence that the U.N. should take action probably owed something to the fear that Jordan might otherwise invoke the Anglo-Jordan Treaty. With the Trieste situation becoming murkier every day, such a happening might be almost too much for Mr. Eden's still rather frail health.

Meanwhile, a small but significant pointer to the general atmosphere was provided by yesterday's Guildhall ceremony when the Duke of Edinburgh attended a dinner in connection with the Anglo-Jewish Community's scheme to plant a Coronation Forest in Israel.

Had public opinion corresponded in any measure to the tone of the recent British note and of the editorial utterances in the Beaverbrook press, the Duke would hardly have responded so amiably to Lord Samuel's remarks on the occasion.

The silence of certain Anglican prelates, who on previous occasions have rarely failed to condemn real or alleged Israel misdeeds, has also been remarked. Even more noteworthy has been the comparative restraint of such veteran pro-Arab spokesmen as Sir Edward Spears and Major Legge-Bourke, of whom the former appears in today's "Daily Telegraph" correspondence columns while the latter spoke briefly in yesterday's Commons debate.

It is really beginning to look as though the danger of encouraging Jordan to take British support for granted is appreciated.

5 CLASHES IN WEEK

Five encounters between armed infiltrators and Israel security forces took place in the week ending October 15.

The infiltrators stole 900 metres of pipe, 32 farm animals and a quantity of agricultural equipment. Three of them were caught.

Johnston Arrives In Beirut

BEIRUT, Wednesday. — President Eisenhower's Special Envoy to the Middle East, Mr. Eric Johnston, arrived here today.

He refused to make any comment, but an assistant said that the mission is purely technical. Its sole aim is to persuade Israel, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon to harness the waters of the Yarmuk and Jordan in one project.

In Washington, informed sources say that the crisis which has arisen following the Kibya incident has not narrowed the scope of the wide-ranging proposals which Mr. Johnston has been empowered to negotiate between Israel and the Arab states.

The feeling in official quarters is that although, in a sense, the Johnston Mission has been launched in unfavourable circumstances, the very fact that the crisis should have arisen at this point shows that an effort at lowering tensions can no longer be delayed.

It is expected that Mr. Johnston will have to cope with objections from both Israel and the Arab states on the $121m. Jordan Valley Water Development Plan.

The Israelis will have to be persuaded to give up their own hydro-electric project which would utilize the waters on the Jordan primarily for Israel's benefit, it is believed here.

Eshkol, Bernstein Meet On U.S. Grant-in-Aid

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, met yesterday morning with Commerce Minister Peretz Bernstein, to continue discussions on steps to be taken should the American Grant-in-Aid be held up for any length of time. *The Jerusalem Post* learned from well-informed circles.

It is believed that the discussion included possible plans for the use of Reparations funds in connection with food imports.

The Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce, Dr. Shaul Lipshitz, who is now visiting Western Europe, including Germany, in connection with an investment of $20m. of Reparations funds for industrial equipment, might also meet with the heads of the Shilumim Purchasing Mission in this regard.

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Dr. Carleton Smith, Director of the National Art Foundation in New York, met with the Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, on Tuesday. They discussed cultural cooperation between Israel and the U.S.

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Commander Ward Arbury, Grand Master of the Order of Freemasons in New York State, was received by the President and Vice-President of the Hebrew University before his departure from Israel.

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Mr. R. Silver, Director of the Department of Municipal Affairs in the Ministry of Interior, is being transferred to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, where he is to take charge of the President's Office.

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Dr. Y. Kopler and Mr. Y. Bejarano left by BOAC yesterday for London where they will discuss juice exports with the Ministry of Food.

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Mr. V.F.W.C. Bentinck, former British Ambassador to Poland, arrived by BOAC yesterday for a brief visit.

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Mr. Harry Goldenberg, Director of the Investment Centre, returned by BOAC yesterday from an extended visit to the U.S. Mr. Monty Schaffer has been appointed Director of the Immigrant Investor Department of the Centre.

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Mr. William Schuldiner, Managing Director of Israel Purchasing Service of New York, arrived by TWA yesterday morning, as the guest of Ampal, Lapidot-Israel Petroleum Corp., and Hamashbir Hamercazi, Ltd.

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An informal reception was held on Tuesday for the delegation from the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland by the Jerusalem branch of the Hitahdut Olei Britannia at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Shaw. The visitors were welcomed to the Capital by Mayor Kariv.

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Mr. S. Michaeli, Manager of the Aviation Department of M. Dizengoff & Co., Ltd., General Agents for Scandinavian Airlines System of Israel, left on Monday by SAS for Rome to attend a meeting of SAS Mediterranean Area.

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Mr. Bertil von Bahr, SAS Representative in Israel, left on Monday for Stockholm for discussions with SAS Home Office.

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Mr. Peretz Naphtali, Minister of Agriculture, will lecture on "Our Economic Problems" tonight at 8.30, at the Technion, Hall 80, under the auspices of the Economic and Statistical Society and the Israel Society for Political Science, Haifa Branch.

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At today's luncheon meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at Z.O.A. House, the French Ambassador to Israel, M. Pierre Eugene Gilbert, will address the club on "The United Nations."

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Prof. F. Peyton Rous of the Rockefeller Institute will deliver a lecture today at 6 p.m. at the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School. He arrived by BOAC yesterday to take part in the ceremonies connected with the anniversary of President Weizmann's death.

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BIRTH

JOSEPH — to Zahava, wife of Dr. A. Y. Joseph, in Montreal, Canada, on October 7, a daughter — Leila.

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ROSENBLATT—To Trude (née Fried), wife of Mr. M.S. Rosenblatt, on Oct. 19, at the Betar Hospital, Haifa — a son, Gad.

Japan to Build Nuclear Physics Institute

TOKYO, Wednesday (Reuter). — Work will begin soon on the construction of Japan's first National Nuclear Physics Institute to be built at Tokyo University at a cost of about 1,050m. Yen.

Press Review :

Barring Funds 'Impolitic'

The withholding of M.A.B. funds to Israel by the American Government, announced by the Secretary of State, Mr. Dulles, is viewed with grave concern by the great majority of the press, which sees it both as unjust and impolitic. Only "Ha'aretz" (Independent) demands a revision of Government policy on the Jordan hydro-electric project. The left-wing press, however, welcomes the Dulles announcement as the end of an illusion.

At the other extreme, the right-wing "Herut" also hopes that "out of the storm shall come forth sweetness" in the form of a different regime in this country.

"Davar" (Histadrut) asks whether it was really in the interest of the American Government to demonstrate publicly that it is not interested in construction, but on the contrary ready to apply the pressure of the power of Mammon. The paper also takes issue with the sharp British reaction to the Kibya incident, which is in strange contrast to its acquiescence in the acts of murder perpetrated here during the last four years by Jordan. In conclusion, "Davar" says that the United States and the Western powers have more than once erred in their supposition that small nations can be induced to give up their vital political interests under economic pressure, and there is no reason to think that Israel will be an exception.

Uncommon Practice

"Haboker" (General Zionist) asserts that it is not a common practice to apply sanctions while an issue is still *sub judice*, but that this is just what the U.S. Government has done in the case of the Jordan hydro-electric project. This stands out in strong contrast to the American attitude to the Yarmuk project which also partly runs through the demilitarized zone. The paper expresses the view that the American public is not aware of the real facts and of what lies behind the arguments of the sanctions schemers. The General Zionists organ calls for action by the Jewish leaders in the U.S. with a view to renewing the traditional ties of friendship between Israel and the U.S.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union), the most outspoken in its reaction to the Dulles announcement, says that this statement has taken the moral worth away from the Grant-in-Aid and made it a tool of political blackmail. The paper also appeals for help to American Jewry, in a drive to present the Israel case to the American public. It is essential to prove that any attempt to jeopardize Israel for the sake of appeasing the Arab dictators fosters the rule of violence and aggression throughout the world.

Part of Cold War

"Zmanim" (Progressive) sees the Dulles announcement as part and parcel of the Cold War recently conducted by the State Department against Israel. 'Israel citizens who cherish deep feelings of friendship for the great American democracy are still waiting for the wrong to be redressed.' Be that as it may, a country is not built on foreign grants. Israel came into being by blood and sweat and it is up to the citizens and the Zionist movement to build their homeland.

A different view is taken by "Ha'aretz" which says that the renaissance of the Jewish people in its homeland can be effected only in partnership with strong allies abroad.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) calls the American decision a boss has come to rebuke Israel and says that we should never have relied on these funds. 'Now, Mr. Dulles, like an American boss, has come to rebuke Israel and withhold the M.A.B. funds.' We are reaping the fruits of a policy fraught with illusion and danger, the paper declares.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) maintains that what it warned the public against so frequently has come about. American loans and grants must of necessity result in the enslavement of Israel by the imperialists. Now even those who have been misleading the people will have to admit that the Communist Party was right all along.

"Herut" on the other hand places the blame for the American policy at the door of the Government's policy of self-restraint in dealing with the looting and marauding of the Arabs in the past four years.

Large Increase In U.S. Foreign Aid

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (Reuter). — A large increase in military assistance raised American foreign aid, including loans and grants, to a record $7,000m. in the 12 months which ended last June 30, the Commerce Department said this week.

The Department said that nations which had received help made return grants to America or loan payments amounting to about 10% of the U.S. aid.

France and Britain continued to head the foreign aid list, receiving more than half the help given to West European countries which received 74% of the total. France and Britain have made the biggest returns.

Other nations receiving outstanding aid totals were Greece, Yugoslavia and Korea.

Shinwell Says Israel Intentions Peaceful

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter).— Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, former Labour Defence Minister, spoke out in support of Israel in the Jordan border clashes when he arrived in London by air from Israel.

"There is every desire to promote peace in Israel" he said, adding, "There is no trace of any excitement. I never met a single person who expressed the slightest hostility to the Arab states. They want to live at peace.

"Investigation of the matter is up to the United Nations. They should establish the facts before they come to any conclusions. For the past three or four years there have been infiltrations, murders and destruction and, of course, there have been retaliations."

On a Friendly Visit

Thunderjets of the type on the deck of the aircraft carrier "Roosevelt." Express Photo

BEIRUT, Wednesday (AP). — Nine ships of the Sixth U.S. fleet, including the aircraft-carrier Franklin D. Roosevelt and the heavy cruiser, Des Moines, dropped anchor in Beirut harbour this morning on a five-day visit.

U.S. jet planes today flew over the Lebanon, Syria and Jordan in a friendly display.

Army: Melting Pot of New Nation

The latest issue of "Israel and Middle East" (Tel Aviv) features prominently a special Army Supplement with a foreword by the Prime Minister, a message from the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordehai Makleff, and articles written mostly by experts who have themselves contributed to the success and growth of the Defence Forces.

Mr. Ben Gurion in his article discusses the historical background of the Defence Forces, their military tasks and civic functions as the melting pot of a new nation. Rav-Aluf Makleff writes in his message: "Israel is surrounded by enemy states; we seek to compensate for their superior manpower potential by the introduction of advanced military techniques, the use of the most modern weapons of war, the development of new tactics, and the intensive training of every soldier and officer of the forces.

"The single, unified General Staff which commands land, air and naval forces, makes possible the speedy concentration of military might wherever danger threatens. The reserve system, organized on a territorial basis, joined to the conscripts and regular army nucleus, enables the full strength of the nation to be flung against the enemy in time of war.

Fast Mobilisation

"Israel's method of reserve mobilization is one of the fastest in the world. The primary task of the Israel Defence Forces is to safeguard the country against attack and to preserve its sovereignty and territorial integrity. This task Israel's Defence Forces are ready to carry out at all times."

Defining the distinctive features of the Israel Defence Forces, Mr. Moshe Pearlman, Director of the Government Information Services, writes: "The I.D.F. is rather like an iceberg with only a small portion visible above the surface, and the remainder invisible — civilians who don uniform when the country is in danger or for manoeuvres and training exercises."

The structure, origins and record of the Israel Defence Forces, the rise of the Israel Air Force, the Navy, the role of women and youth formations are all described in this special Army Supplement, which is among the first of its kind to appear in English.

Experts' Views

Views of foreign military experts quoted in this issue include Capt. Liddell Hart's recent statement: "The Israel Army is clearly the toughest fighting force in the Middle East, with leaders who are vigorous, militarily well-educated and highly intelligent — a rare combination ...."

General Wingate's prophecy is recalled that a Jewish army fighting for its homeland has "the makings of one of the finest military forces in the world's history."

Other sections of this well-produced and strikingly illustrated magazine, presenting a "Summing-Up" of Israel's achievements since statehood, contain a general survey of Israel's foreign policy, of its internal evolution as a parliamentary democracy and of its economic growth in the last five years.

ISRAEL PLANES SAID OVER NABLUS

A large number of Israel planes, allegedly flew over Nablus on Monday night, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reports.

Britain Still World's Top Shipbuilder

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuter). — Britain retained her place as the world's premier shipbuilding nation during the quarter ended in September, "Lloyd's Register" shipbuilding returns show.

Total tonnage under construction in British yards at the end of September was 2,190,239 tons gross, the highest figure since March 1952. This was 36.8% of the total for the world except China, Poland and Russia. No figures were available for those three Communist countries.

Germany held second place on the list with 651,527 tons on the stocks, which was 106,198 tons more than in June. She was followed by the U.S., with 564,822 tons, the Netherlands, with 439,957 tons and France, with 383,029 tons.

Japan was in eighth place with 234,555 tons under construction — a drop of 100,932 tons.

Dismissed U.N. Staff To Get Compensation

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — The U.N. Administrative Tribunal has ordered payment of compensation to four former members of the U.N. Secretariat dismissed from their jobs by Secretary-General Dag Hammerskjoeld.

Earlier this year the tribunal had ordered their reinstatement, but Mr. Hammerskjoeld overruled its decision. The tribunal, which was sitting in London for the first time, comprised M. Paul Bastid of France, Lord Crook of Britain and Brer Arvid Sture Petren of Sweden.

Mr. Alexander Svenchansky, 44-year-old broadcaster in Russian, was awarded $20,000 by the tribunal. Mr. Hope Eldridge, 49-year-old demographer, was awarded $16,000, Eda Glaser, 43-year-old clerical officer, received $7,500 and writer Ruth Crawford got $4,750.

Scholarships Available For Trade, High Schools

A number of scholarships are available for students from low income homes, particularly immigrants from Eastern countries who arrived after the founding of the State, who wish to continue their education in high school or trade school.

The scholarships, sponsored by the Secondary School Scholarship committee of the Jewish Agency and the Government, are to be given to youths between 14-17, who have completed elementary school or received the equivalent education.

Scholarships can be applied for until November 11, at the Division of Secondary Schools and Extension Courses of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

Resume 'Medicals' For Driving Applicants

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Medical examination of applicants for driving licences in the northern area is being resumed. The Union of Government Physicians here has cancelled its ban on these examinations, after the Ministry of Health had met their demand that the doctor employed on this duty be paid regularly.

(The ban was imposed by the Union after the doctor on duty had not received his salary for several months.)

Seedlings Available For School Gardens

Seedlings for school gardens in the south and centre of the country are obtainable from Mr. Tené, teacher of agriculture at the Hess State School in Petah Tikva.

Those for school gardens in the Haifa area are obtainable from the farm of the Kfar Galim school opposite the Tira *ma'abara*, the Ministry of Education and Culture announces.

OLD CITY COURT HEARS BARCLAYS CASE

The case of an Arab woman, Bahiah Barakat Abu Zalef, who had 5,000 dinars on account in the Jaffa branch of Barclays Bank before the termination of the Mandate, opened this week in the Old City Court of Appeals, "A-Diffa" reports.

In the lower courts, the woman won her claim against the Bank, which is now appealing.

Shenfer Wins Swim Meet

Seventeen-year old Reuven Shenfer, of Givat Haim-Hapoel, surprised a number of Israel's top swimmers when he raced ahead and maintained his lead to win the three kilometre Shavei Zion to Nahariya swim over the week-end, in the record time of 45 minutes 25 seconds.

His 13-and-a-half-year old clubmate, Itamar David, also shook the pundits by racing home in fourth place, beating such capable men as Freud and Elbaum, of Brith Maccabim Atid of Tel Aviv.

Held Off Challenge

Shenfer held off the challenge of one of Israel's top swimming hopes, Nahum Buch, also of B.M.S.A., to win by 150 metres. Buch timed 46:35, and number three home, B.M.A.'s Nest, 47:09. After young David came Freud.

First among the competing women was Shoshana Hirner, another B.M.A. participant, the most successful Israel swimmer at the recent Fourth Maccabiah, who was placed 12th in 51:43, with Nahariya Hapoel's Rahel Zagiobik, the second woman home in 53:05.

This was the seventh time that the event, in memory of the Nahariya Hapoel members who fell in the War of Independence serving in the Israel Navy, was held.

Yugoslavs Beat France

ZAGREB, (UP). — Yugoslavia beat France, 3-1, in their 10th international football match here on Saturday. The halftime score was zero-one.

Yugoslavia dominated throughout an unexpected mediocre game and on performance should have won by a very high score. But the Yugoslav forward line had a very bad day, especially in the first half, missing chance after chance through their own inaccurate shooting.

Lithe, cat-like French goalie Rene Vignal, one of the busiest men on the field and one of the game's outstanding players, foiled many more Yugoslav attempts. More than 45,000 jammed every corner of Zagreb's spanking new Dynamo Stadium. Yugoslavia is one of Israel's opponents in the preliminaries of the World Soccer Cup. (See story October 19 — Sp. Ed.)

In another international the same day, Sweden and Norway played out a goal-less draw. A friendly match in Paris brought a 3-1 victory to English League team, Charlton Athletic, over the Racing Club de Paris, on Sunday.

Military Swimming Championships

The Navy and Training Command of the Army shared first place in the men's section of the recently held Israel Defence Services swimming championships, with 47 points each. Nahal and the Air Force came third and fourth respectively. In the women's section, Nahal came first, followed by the Air Force, Training Command and Central Command, in that order.

Bowling Green for Haifa

Haifa Municipality has at a farewell party for the construction of Israel's second bowling green, it was announced at a farewell party for the Maccabiah bowlers. Arrangements are already being made to form a Haifa Bowling Club.

It was also announced that Ireland and Holland have promised to send bowling teams to the next Maccabiah. *PHILIP GILLON*

PREMONITION WINS

Premonition outran French challenger Northern Light and Queen Elizabeth's much fancied Aureole to win the famous St. Leger, the last of the season's classics, at Doncaster. The race was worth £14,000 to the winner.

STOCK MARKET

TEL AVIV

OCT. 21.		Rise Fall
Govt Loans		
7% 1954 (reg.)	100½	—
5% 1955 (reg.)	99¾	—
6% 1958 (reg.)	100	—
Pop. Loans		
1949-49 (IL.10)	98	—
1950-75 (IL.100)	96	—
4½%Treas Dollar	1178 X	—
B. Leumi Ord. sh.	296	—
A.F.P. Invest.		
6% Debs 50/70	99½	—
4½% Pref sh.	104	—a)
Ord sh. "B"	127	—
Gen. Mortg. Bk.		
6% Deb 48/68	79	—
6% Pref sh.	77½	—
Elrom		
6% Debs 48/58	99½	—
4½% 52/68 reg.	79½	—
Nir Ltd		
6% Debs 49/59	95	—
5% Pref sh.	79½	—½
Pass Debs.		
6% 42/62	79½	—
P.I.B.C.		
Ord sh.	171½	—1½
6% Debs.	93½	—
Afr. Pal Inv Ord sh.	139½	—½
Rassco		
6% Debs 58/63	98½	—
6% Pref Ord sh.	94½	—½
Pal. Potash 6% Pref sh.	285	—15
" "A" ord sh.	189	+4
Pal. Elec 6% ch. (Isr.)	270	+4
Wakeroth Pref sh.	71	—
Ata 6% "C" Pref. sh.	110	—a)
Ord "B" sh.	188½	—1
5-8% Con. Debs.	179½	—½
"Kardaneh "Ord "B" sh	176½	—1
Assia Bus "B" sh	172	—½
"Teva" Ord sh	109½	—
Nesher 6% Debs. Ser. A	110	—
Pal. Cold St. 7% deb.	139	+1
Lodzia 4½% Pref sh.	75½	—
S.A. Binyan Ord sh.	88	—
Pal Constr. Tr. sh.	94	—½
Pal. Bearer Sd.		
Ser. 1	72	—
Ser. 2	71½	—
Ser. 3	72½	+½

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex coupons; d) ex right; x) pruto per one Dollar.

Cornerstone Laying Of New Wing of Hotel

"I evaluate highly the initiative shown by those responsible for placing this enterprise in the capital city, when others doubt the wisdom of investing here," the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Peretz Bernstein, said at the cornerstone-laying of the second wing of the President Hotel (Malon Ha-Nassi) in the Talbieh quarter of Jerusalem Tuesday afternoon.

This wing, to consist of 84 rooms (the first wing soon to be opened has 60 rooms), will include a banquet hall capable of seating 2,000, a theatre and meeting hall seating 1,200 and a swimming pool for 300. The enterprise, headed by Mr. Abraham Feig of Belgium, and Mr. Haim Shiff of Jerusalem represents an investment of IL.8m., with 70% in foreign currency.

Beneath the cornerstone was placed a scroll upon which Mr. Bernstein, Mayor Izhak Kariv, Mr. Reuben Shari, M.K. Deputy Mayors M. Rubin (architect of the building), and Rabbi M. Porush, Messrs. Feig and Shiff, and other public figures had written their names.

Mayor Kariv brought greetings in the name of the Municipality and promised, in its name, to aid by all means possible the execution of similar enterprises.

Mr. Shari and Mr. Shweitzer, representative of the building workers, also spoke.

36 Haifa Industrialists To Study Efficiency

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Twice a week for the next two months, 36 of Haifa's industrial executives from the private and cooperative sectors are to hear lectures on efficient plant management.

The course is organized by the Labour Ministry's Productivity Institute and the lecturers are local and foreign engineers and productivity experts.

The subjects include plant layout, production planning and supervision, costing (cost accounting), budgeting, production premiums and labour relations. A similar course is being held in Tel Aviv.

Notices to the Public

SURVEYORS HIGH SCHOOL under the aegis of the Surveying Dept., Ministry of Labour.

Registration is in process for pupils who want to study in the Surveyors High School. Candidates must have secondary school education. The period of studies will be for two years. Outstanding students will be awarded bursaries, and will be released from payment of fees. On successful conclusion of term of studies, students will receive Diplomas of Surveying. The High School is situated in Holon, near Tel Aviv. There are 25 places open to candidates.

Applications to the Surveyors High School should be sent to the Surveying Dept., Rehov Yehuda Halevi, corner Rehov Shenkin, Tel Aviv; or by mail, to P.O.B. 2730, Tel Aviv.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Archaeology:** —
Permanent Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 20 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Daily, 9-1, 4-6.

★ **Exhibitions:** —
Oil paintings by Harry Philippe; Sculpture exhibition, works of the late Ze'ev Ben-Zvi; Exhibit of the month: "Ideal Russian Landscape" by Gaspard Dschet; Bezalel Museum; 9-1, 3-5 p.m.
Canadian Paintings for Leila Joseph Memorial Hall. Opening 5 p.m. Bezalel Museum.
Two exhibitions of works and paintings by Dr. Paul Leewy and Dan Hoffner. Artists' House. 10—1, 4—6.

★ **Lecture.** —
"The Revival of the Halacha as Law for Israel," Dr. Y. Leibowitz; Bet Hillel meeting; Israel Touring Club, Talbieh, 8 p.m.

★ **Tour:** —
Hebrew University conducted tour new administration building. King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.

★ **Film Shows:** —
Keren Hayesod, 11.30-12.30.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:** —
"Fifty Years of Modern French Painting"; Tel Aviv Museum. Daily 10-1; 4-7.

★ **Theatre:** —
"Saint Joan" Chamber Theatre, Mograbi, 8 p.m.

HAIFA

★ **Exhibitions:** —
Haifa Artists' Exhibition has moved to the Exhibition Pavilion, 13 UNO Ave. 4-8 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ **Theatre:** —
"The Ambassador of Peoples in Dance", Juana, Rama Cinema, 8.30 p.m.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

Jerusalem: Ruhama, 28 David Yellin, 2788. Reznik, 15 Gaza, 3962.
Tel Aviv: Merapa, 77 Allenby, 3407. Frankel, 38 King George, 2721. Molshatsky, 7 Ber Yehuda, 3570. Ahva, 165 Dizengoff, 24717. Hadassah, Hatikva Qr., 67684.
Jaffa: Noga, 3 Rehov 298, 80896.
Ramat Gan: Ramat Gan, 51 Bialik.
Ramat Hahak: Hatikvah, 58 Hatikva.
Haifa: Harefua, 61 Hehalutz, 2277. Shomron, Bank-Jaffa, 6924.
Kiryat Bialik: Bialik, 7230.

EMERGENCY PHYSICIANS

Tel Aviv: Dr. M. Pinhasi, 1 Syrkin, 25842. Dr. N.L. Bacher, 165 Dizengoff, 26382. Dr. A. Romano, 31 Herzl, 66537.

Tonight at 8.30 p.m. sharp
Habimah Hall, Tel Aviv
Eighth
ZIONIST CONFERENCE
organized by Keren Hayesod

Speakers:
Moshe SHARETT, Minister of Foreign Affairs;
Yosef SAPHIR, Minister of Transport;
Dr. Yosef BURG, Minister of Posts;
Moshe KOL, Jewish Agency Executive
Ya'akov HAZAN, Member of Knesset.

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The doors of the Habimah will close at 8.30 p.m. promptly.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 491 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 33.3, 42.9 & 522 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m.; 1.30, 6.15 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m. 1.15 & 6.30 p.m.
6.30 a.m. Service. 6.55 Exercise. 8.40 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R)). 9.30 Close Down. 12.00 N. Music at Noon (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Requests (Rb). 1.45 Vocal Recital. 2.00 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. "This and That" (R). 4.20 "Where to Go" (Jerusalem). 4.30 Light Music (T.A.) 5.00 Musical Miniatures. 5.30 Child's corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Concert Hall: Violin Concerto in E major (Bach); Symphony in C major (Schubert-Yoachim). 8.00 Kibbutz Har'el 5th anniversary. 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.45 Touring the Country. 9.00 The Voice of the Violin (R). 9.10 Piano Recital: Alina Schmuckler-Hess. 9.45 Variety: Russian Songs (R). 10.15 Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Hanan Schlesinger, Soloist Sarah Petschaft-Daniel: 10.45 Night Music (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

English News: 1.45 p.m.; 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.
4.00 p.m. Opera. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Mishna Lesson. 5.30 Piano Recital. 6.15 Close Down.
IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (33.3 49.9 & 460 M.): French: 6.30 p.m. Ladino: 7.00 p.m. Yiddish: 7.30 p.m.
KOL ZION LAGOLA (42.8 M.): 11.15 News & Newsreel. 11.30 Concert in Israel (Bloch).
ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 214, 238 & 239 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Classical Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Small Events in the Big World. 7.50 Intermezzo. 8.00 Evening Tunes. 8.30 News. 8.45 Songs. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.
B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (16.77 & 24.92 M.): 4.30—7.30 p.m. News. News Talk. Week's Feature.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS
At 2, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.
ARMON: Valentino.
EDEN: The North.
EDISON: Aux Yeux Du Souvenir. at 2 & 6.30 only
HAIAMIS: Flying Leatherneche.
OHGIL: April in Paris.
ORION: Tiziale.
ORNA: Portrait of Jennie.
STUDIO: Madness of the Heart.
TEL-OR: Happy Heart.
ZION: Four Soldiers. at 2 & 6.30 only.

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HADERA, Monday Nov. 2
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Thursday, Oct. 29—Series "S"
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Sunday, Nov. 1
Conductor and Soloist: Leonard BERNSTEIN
Symphony No. 10 — Mahler (first performance in Israel)
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Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	46	11	26	22
Tiberias	31	19	26	22
Haifa Port	29	15	26	22
Natanya	33	13	26	22
Hakirya	36	17	26	22
Tel Aviv Port	36	16	26	22
Lydda Airport	31	13	26	22
Jerusalem	43	13	24	22
Beersheba	31	12	24	22
Eilat	38	18	32	32

FORECAST: Partly cloudy.

*A) Humidity at 2 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today

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CURRENCY in circulation remained constant during the week ending yesterday; Treasury bills increased by IL.420,000, while foreign currency holdings fell by an equivalent amount.

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THE SS. FRANCA MARI is due here today with 157 tons of frozen and tinned meat from Eritrea. The ship recently inaugurated an import-export carrying service through the Suez Canal between Haifa and Massawa. Her arrival will mark the end of her first round trip voyage.

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15-MONTH-OLD Shaul Erikover fell four metres to the ground from the veranda of his home in Tel Aviv yesterday. He sustained only slight injuries.

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FOUR MEN charged with the murder of Baruch Finkelstein, watchman at the Food Controller's offices, on August 2, were remanded for trial by the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

U.N. Day to be Marked By Kol Yisrael

United Nations Day — Sunday, October, 25—is to be observed by Kol Yisrael by the presentation of several special programmes. Tomorrow at 4.30 a children's programme, "The Nations of the World Assembled," under the direction of Yigal Ephrati will explain how the U.N. is organized.

On Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, selections from Handel's "Messiah," a piano concerto by Chopin, and Shostakovich's "United Nations Hymn" will be played.

"United Nations Day," a special programme discussing the achievements of the U.N., will be heard on Sunday evening at 9.30.

A pamphlet containing the Hebrew texts of the United Nations Charter and the Constitution of the International Court of Justice is being distributed to schools throughout the country. It is published by the U.N. Information Office and was printed by the Government Press in Jerusalem.

The Post Office is to note the day by using a special postmark on all articles mailed on Sunday at the main post offices of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv-Jaffa and Haifa.

Rotary Celebrates U.N. Day

Yesterday's Rotary luncheon was devoted to United Nations Day, to be celebrated this year on October 24.

The President of the Jerusalem Rotary, Dr. G. Ilan, welcomed the guests and recalled that three Rotarians were instrumental in settling the border dispute between Ecuador and Peru which had lasted for over 100 years.

The guest speaker was Mr. M. Howson, Acting Resident Representative, Technical Assistance Board of the U.N. He discussed the principles of peace, justice and progress as guiding the work of the United Nations, and called upon every nation to do its share to help.

New 'Artic' Contest — Legal This Time

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The Artic ice cream factory today announced the launching next Friday of a new lottery, with prizes, in lieu of their recently outlawed contest.

The previous competition called for the collection of the ice cream sticks, on some of which were the letters of the firm. Whoever collected all five letters was eligible for a prize. The Attorney-General stopped the contest as containing an element of "chance," it came under the category of gambling.

The new competition calls for the collection of 150 coupons, one of which will be attached to each ice cream bar, and a written essay on "Why I Like Artic." This introduces an element of "skill" and therefore is legal. All holders of an Artic stick collection will receive 150 of the new coupons on application.

A public committee in which Mr. David Ben Ari, Mayor of Bat Yam, will participate, will supervise the contest.

INFILTRATOR GETS TWENTY MONTHS

NAZARETH, Wednesday. — A summary military court here today sentenced an infiltrator to 20 months in prison. He had come to Nazareth to collect a debt, he told the Judge, Seren A. Ben Shalom.

The Court also fined 12 Arab residents sums ranging from IL.20 to IL.50 for travelling without military permits.

RATION NEWS

Tel Aviv: Carp: 150 gr., Bet 12, temp. 40. Frozen mackerel, ration free, 450 pruta a Kg.

British Friendship May Help Withstand Political Strain

TEL AVIV, Wednesday.—Aluf-Mishneh Katriel Salmon, the Israel Military Attache in London, left today to return to his post after a short visit here.

"We have won many friends in Great Britain," Aluf-Mishneh Salmon told *The Jerusalem Post*. "The unprecedented metamorphosis of uneducated men into excellent, alert soldiers within the short time of their military service is of great credit to Israel. I hope true friendships will withstand the strain imposed by political developments," he said.

Great Britain had made available to Israel soldiers all the military training establishments which she had opened for friendly foreign countries. Aluf M. Dayan and Aluf Y. Avidar, among others, had passed senior officers' courses in Great Britain, and many visiting soldiers, including the present Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf M. Makleff, were shown the military installations in which they were interested. The RAF was very helpful in training Israel jet-pilots.

Incidentally, Aluf-Mishneh Salmon added, Israelis did extremely well in RAF bases, and twice won trophies for aerobatics — a feat which made an impression on the British Air Marshal.

Judging by the standards of European armies, the Military Attache went on, the Israel soldier is one of the best for discipline, alertness and performance. This opinion is shared by important foreign experts who visited the Israel Army recently, he concluded.

J'lem Town Clerk Said Not Legally in Office

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The District Representative, Dr. A. Biran, informed Mayor Kariv yesterday that Mr. A. Franco is not to be considered as holding the post of Town Clerk inasmuch as his appointment to this post by the Municipality in 1949 was not approved by the District Authority in accordance with Section 25 (1) of the Municipal Corporation Ordinance, 1934. Therefore, Mr. Franco's possession of the corporate seal is not lawful.

Dr. Biran requested the Mayor to take over the seal and to keep it in his custody in accordance with Section 95 of the above-mentioned ordinance. Section 95 (2) provides that the corporate seal shall be in the custody of the Town Clerk, if one has been appointed, or in the custody of the Mayor, if no such appointment has been made.

Mayor Kariv thereupon requested Mr. Franco to return the seal, but the latter refused to comply. Instead, he asked for a copy of the original letter sent by Dr. Biran, and promised to reply after consulting with his colleagues.

Jerusalem Employees May Strike

Another possibility of a strike of Jerusalem municipal employees exists, following the local Labour Council Executive Committee's approval of such a step at its meeting Tuesday night. Mr. Moshe Bar-Am, Council Secretary, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The main grievances are non-payment of wages since August to 100 temporary employees, and the existence of a Municipal debt of some tens of thousands of pounds to the Insurance Fund.

Far East Immigrants Arrive in s.s. Kina

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Nine immigrants from the Far East were aboard the s.s. Kina which arrived here this morning with a cargo of 2,000 tons of copra for edible oil production. The ship passed through the Suez Canal, but the Egyptian authorities caused no difficulties, the immigrants said.

The newcomers included two middle-aged couples from Shanghai who boarded the ship in Shanghai; they stated that the Communist authorities had permitted them to take out personal effects and $30 in cash. There are still about 1,000 Jews in China, many of them in Shanghai, and there is no anti-Semitism there nor any anti-Jewish restrictions, they added.

The other newcomers included four from Aden, and one from Yemen who left his home in the Rosh Ha'ayin camp here a year ago to arrange for the transfer of his property to Israel. He said that there were few Jews left in Yemen, dispersed in villages and small towns, and they live quite well.

U.S. Refuses Entry To 26 of 'Jerusalem' Crew

HAIFA, Wednesday. — The American Consulate here has refused entry visas to 26 of the crew of the s.s. Jerusalem which is leaving for the U.S. on Friday. They were transferred to the s.s. Negbah just before she sailed for Marseilles today, and will be replaced by other seamen.

All the men were born in "Iron Curtain" countries and came here after the Second World War. The Consulate at first objected to 10 other men, but cleared them later.

RIVER PLAN

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theless, observers recalled that Israel had indicated willingness to accept U.S. mediation.

The Embassy statement took issue with what it called the implication that American economic aid has been suspended because of Israel's refusal to accept "a so-called U.N. scheme for the use of Jordan water."

The Embassy stated that Israel could not have accepted or rejected the project because she was informed by the U.S. of its existence only a few weeks ago, and the document itself "was withheld from Israel's knowledge" until the afternoon of October 19 when the blueprint was made know at the U.N. in New York.

"Having now obtained a copy of the report, the Israel Government will consider it on its merit," the Embassy added.

The Embassy raised the question whether the U.N. has the right to approve or disqualify water development projects within sovereign states such as Israel.

The big Jordan Valley Project, the Embassy continued, is not really a U.N. scheme, since it has never been considered by any "principal organ" of the world body.

These contentions, it appeared, were used to bolster the further point in the statement that Israel's policy is to seek regional water development by direct consultations with the Arab states. This policy, the Embassy stated, was explained to Mr. Dulles by Mr. Eban in the past had invited the American Government to promote contact between the Jewish State and the Arabs on cooperation plans.

The Embassy added, though, that the U.S. "apparently has not been successful."

"Therefore, the Governments of Israel, Syria and Jordan are preparing their own schemes for the utilization of their respective waters."

The Embassy statement concluded: "It would be unfortunate if any governments called upon to consider this intricate and important matter enter the investigation without a completely open mind."

French Fellowships For 4 H.U. Graduates

Four Hebrew University graduates have been awarded Fellowships by the French Government for the academic year 1953/54.

The four students receiving the grants are Mr. Chaim Guri (French Civilization), Mr. Adam Kaneth (History and Oriental Studies), Dr. Jacob Fleischman (Philosophy), and Miss Esther Miller (History).

Each of the four Fellowships, which enables the holder to pursue advanced study and research in France, is valued at 25,000 francs plus travelling expenses and tuition fees.

Bennike's Reply To Sharett

In his comments on the Foreign Minister's letter regarding the B'not Ya'akov canal project, received at the Foreign Ministry late on Tuesday, General Vagn Bennike, Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, elaborates on his original points regarding private Arab rights, military advantage and water rights. These comments, together with his original decision calling for a work stoppage, will provide the basis of his report to the U.N. Security Council.

The General claims that there has been "some interference" with Arab-owned land in the demilitarized zone, on the west bank of the Jordan. He states that an area of about 20 dunams was crossed by Israel workers. They left tools there, and their bulldozers pushed boulders and earth onto the land (to a great extent removed later, the Chief of Staff admits). They were also responsible for other such incidents.

He points out that Dr. Bunche's promise that the demilitarized zone will not remain a "vacuum of wasteland," applies also to Syrian land, which would be adversely affected, especially in the dry season, as the B'not Ya'akov canal permanently alters the flow of the river, in contradistinction, he states, to the Hulsh drainage.

The U.N. head adds that Arab claims to the "island" in the Jordan River are unsubstantiated, as no titles or other proof of ownership have been found. He fully admits that the proposed canal does not pass over any Arab-owned land.

The General urges that the existence of the canal provides a military (defensive) advantage, as defence forces could, in some measure be released from guarding an area protected by two waterways, for deployment elsewhere.

Regarding general water rights in the area, the Chief of Staff bases his approach on the Anglo-French treaty of 1923, defining the Syrian border, which grants Syria such rights. Israel has pointed out that these rights are granted *ex gratia*, a point-of-view the General apparently questions.

As the comments of the Chief of Staff will be presented, and replied to, at the Security Council, a Foreign Ministry spokesman in Jerusalem declined comment.

Round World Joe Off to Cyprus

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Wednesday. — "Around the World for Fifty Dollars" 25-year-old Joe Bormel from Baltimore, who has been here for nearly two months, left for Cyprus on the s.s. Atzmaut at midnight yesterday. He had received a complimentary ticket from Shoham to the island, and from there, he will continue to South Africa, India and Australia.

During his stay in Israel he used up $7.62, bringing the total he has spent since he left Baltimore last December, to $37. On this sum, he has seen nearly 20 countries, and has covered 30,000 miles.

Before leaving, he told *The Jerusalem Post* that since an article about him appeared in the paper last week, he has not spent a single cent here, having been received as a free guest by everyone, including taxi drivers.

Honorary Fellowships At Weizmann Institute

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Wednesday. — Five scientists of first international rank who are taking part in the memorial observances for President Weizmann at the end of this month, are to receive Honorary Fellowships of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

They are Prof. Niels Bohr, Nobel prize winner, Director of the Institute for Theoretical Physics at Copenhagen; Prof. E. B. Chain, Nobel prize winner, scientific Director of the International Research Centre for Chemical Microbiology, Rome; Prof. Herman F. Mark, Director of the Polymer Research Institute at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn; Prof. Linus C. Pauling, Chairman of the Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Division at California Institute of Technology, Pasadena; and Dr. Francis Peyton Rous, Member Emeritus of the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research, New York.

Mrs. Weizmann Back

Mrs. Vera Weizmann, the wife of the First President of Israel, returned to the country last night by KLM plane. She was met at Lydda Airport by Sganit Aluf Yosef Carmel, the President's Aide, for President Ben-Zvi; Mrs. Paula Ben Gurion, wife of the Prime Minister; Mr. Ze'ev Sharef, the Secretary to the Government; Mr. Meyer W. Weisgal, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Weizmann Institute of Science at Rehovot; and many other friends.

Zelinger Heads C.I.D.

TEL AVIV, Wednesday (ITIM). — Mr. Avraham Zelinger, the new Chief of the Criminal Investigation Division at Police Headquarters, assumed his duties today. He succeeds Mr. Yeshurun Schiff, who resigned from the force recently.

Mr. Amos Ben Gurion, who heads the Organization Division, and Mr. Yekutiel Keren, head of the Administration Division, have been promoted to the rank of Deputy Inspector General. They continue in their present duties.

The Special Duties Department at Police Headquarters, headed by Mr. Meir Nevik, which had been an independent department, has now been attached to the Organization Division.

THE MIGDAL Ascalon police station will come under the jurisdiction of the Negev district police, with headquarters in Beersheba, as from October 27.

B'NAI B'RITH CONFERENCE GROUP

Mr. Philip M. Klutznick, President of B'nai B'rith, has designated the B'nai B'rith Israel Committee to represent the organization at the special conference of American leaders in Jerusalem called for this month by Prime Minister Ben Gurion. The committee is headed by Mr. Morris Alexander.

Commenting on the objectives of the trip, Mr. Alexander said: "We are going as the official representatives of B'nai B'rith to attend this conference and also to gather material in order to acquaint ourselves with all the facts necessary to outline a B'nai B'rith programme for the future."

The B'nai B'rith Israel Committee was appointed in July to initiate, direct, supervise and coordinate all B'nai B'rith activities on behalf of Israel.

Members of the committee accompanying Mr. Alexander are Mrs. M.A. Temerson and Mr. Meyer Halperin. Another member of the Israel Committee who is awaiting them in Israel is Mr. Fred Monosson.

GRAND MASTER OF FREEMASONS INSTALLED

The erection and consecration of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of the State of Israel and the installation of Mr. Shabetai Levy, C.B.E., former Mayor of Haifa, as its first Grand Master was marked by impressive ceremonies at the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Jerusalem Tuesday afternoon.

This event also marks the unification of all Freemasons in Israel under one sovereign Grand Lodge.

Paintings at Bezalel in Memory of Leila Joseph

Twenty-eight Canadian paintings will be displayed in the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem in a special gallery in memory of Leila Joseph, daughter of the Minister of Development, who fell in the Negev during the War of Independence.

The paintings were collected by Mrs. Joseph during a recent visit to Canada.

The Exhibition will be opened at 5 p.m. today by Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry. *(Itim)*

East Berlin Searches For Rebel Band

BERLIN, Wednesday (UP). — East German police and Soviet security agents today searched for an anti-Communist band, reported to be composed of deserters from the Red Army and the Soviet Zone Police Army, believed to be ranging defiantly in East Germany.

Thousands of Soviet and People's Police combed the area south of Berlin for the six-man band that killed a day seeking a band that killed four Communist policemen in a gun battle last Friday.

An official East German police announcement called the band "armed Fascist terrorists" grouped together to murder and commit sabotage on foreign orders.

It was the first Communist admission of open resistance since Soviet tanks and troops crushed the Zone-wide June 17 revolt.

The anti-Communist "Information Bureau West" said that there were unconfirmed reports that the band is composed of Soviet soldiers and Communist police deserters.

Reports reaching West Berlin stated that the group, armed with rifles, carbines, and pistols, is operating in a huge wooded area between Berlin and Cottbus, some 70 miles south-east of Berlin.

People's Police armed with machine pistols searched all trains entering West Berlin from the Soviet Zone in an effort to prevent the rebels from fleeing to the West.

Malan Calls UN a 'Cancer'

BLOEMFONTEIN, Wednesday (Reuter). — South African Prime Minister, Dr. D. Malan, today described the U.N. as a "cancer—which gnaws at world peace and quiet."

Speaking at the Orange Free State Congress of his own Nationalist Party, he said that the time had come for the U.N. either to be radically reformed or to disappear.

Dr. Malan was speaking to a motion that South Africa should withdraw from the U.N. in view of the high costs involved and the fact that the U.N. allowed irresponsible persons to appear before it and make hostile propaganda against South Africa.

He added, however, that South Africa is not opposed to the idea of a world organization.

U.N. Votes to Continue Aid for Refugees

NEW YORK, Wednesday (Reuter). — The U.N. Social Committee decided yesterday by 43 votes to five with four abstentions to continue the Office of Dr. G.J. van Heuven Goodhart, U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, for five years beginning next January.

The Soviet bloc voted against the proposal. Ethiopia, India, Guatemala and Indonesia abstained.

Court Won't Intervene On Kindergartens

The High Court yesterday declined to intervene in the matter of the opening of the kindergartens on the grounds that an order *nisi* would involve the Court in financial problems and would be ineffective.

The Court also doubted whether the question is within its jurisdiction.

The petition for the order against the Minister of Education was filed by Mr. A. Rosenberg on behalf of his five-year-old son. It alleged that the failure to open the kindergartens on time was harmful to the child and was contrary to the law.

Ein Harod Dispute Still Not Settled

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Despite intensive efforts this week, the Histadrut's Central Committee has not yet succeeded in bringing about agreement between the Mapai Ihud Hakibutsim Vehakvutzot and the Mapam Kibbutz Hameuchad on strife-torn Ein Harod. It is reliably reported, however, that a partition solution is nearer realization.

Mr. A. Kna'ani of Kibbutz Hameuchad and Mr. S. Kinarti of the Ihud have been appointed to press the matter jointly, and to report back to the Central Committee on Sunday.

U.N. Jordan Valley Plan Meant To Provide Water for 3 Nations

UNITED NATIONS, (USIS) Wednesday. — The plan made public here by the United Nations for the development and distribution of the water resources of the Jordan valley would provide both irrigation and hydro-electric power for Jordan, Syria and Israel.

Announced late Monday, it was produced at the request of the U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees. It was drawn up by the American engineering firm of Charles T. Main, Inc., of Boston, under the direction of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA). TVA is one of America's largest and most successful multi-purpose development projects.

Offering a broad regional approach to the water supply problem in the Jordan river watershed, the plan's scope is not limited to national boundaries now prevailing, but rather takes into account the topography of the entire watershed. The overriding practical consideration is the effective use of all the water resources of the Jordan valley.

The plan recognizes the fact that there is great need for an adequate and dependable supply of water in this region, which has only limited water resources. The study indicates that the most reasonable way to meet this need is on a regional basis, under natural storage facilities when possible, and employing gravity as a means of transporting irrigation waters.

Based on Available Data

The recently completed study is based on all data available on the Jordan watershed. Having studied this data, the engineers have produced a plan for the irrigation of substantially all the cultivable land in the Lake Huleh area, in the Galilee hills west of the Jordan River, and on the Ghor, or Flat Terrace areas on both sides of the Jordan below the sea of Galilee. Areas now being cultivated would be protected.

According to the report, the most economical and quickest way to get the greatest use from the Jordan river system waters is by better organization of the Hasbani River watershed and the waters of the Lake Huleh area, and to provide for storage of the flood flows in the Sea of Galilee.

One of the key problems in the Jordan-area is the high rate of loss from evaporation due to the long periods of constant sunshine. The comprehensive plan proposes to reduce this evaporation loss to a minimum by utilization of the existing reservoir of the Sea of Galilee, which could store not only the flood waters of the Jordan and its upper tributaries, but also the waters of the Yarmuk River which would be diverted into the Sea of Galilee rather than permitted to flow directly into the Jordan below it.

From the Sea of Galilee, the combined waters of all these tributaries would be made available by gravity flow, to irrigated lands on both sides of the Jordan valley to the south, eliminating the need for expensive pumping facilities.

In essence, the plan would gather, save and divide the total available waters of the Jordan River system and then let this water run by gravity to where it could be most useful to all the people of the area.

Construction work would be in five stages with a total cost of $121m. Of this amount, $86m. would be for irrigation and $35m. for hydro-electric power.

If the plan is accepted by the parties concerned and is carried out, approximately 234,000 acres would be irrigated. Of this total about 122,500 acres would be in Jordan. This development would materially ease the problem of the Palestine Arab refugees.

Israel would benefit by the irrigation of some 104,000 acres and Syria to the extent of 7,500 acres. The land in Jordan, however, would get more water per acre because of the lower rainfall in that area. All three countries would benefit from the electric power generated.

Main Points

The main points of the plan for the unified development of the valley's resources follow:

1) A dam on the Hasbani River (one of the sources of the Jordan) to store and regulate the waters of that river.

2) Irrigation canals from the Banyas (another Jordan source) to the Galilee hill area southwest of the Sea of Galilee and a well system to supply the Yavneel valley.

3) A diversion dam on the lower Yarmuk River to direct part of its water into an irrigation canal on the Eastern Ghor, or Flat Terrace area, and the remainder through a diversion canal into the Sea of Galilee for storage.

4) Irrigation canals on the east and west sides of the lower Jordan to carry water stored in the Sea of Galilee southward by gravity in order to serve both sides of the river.

5) Drainage of the Huleh swamp (north of the Sea of Galilee) to make this area available for cultivation and eliminate heavy water losses which now take place due to evaporation and absorption.

6) Construction of a low dam to provide additional storage requirements by raising the water level of the Sea of Galilee by about two meters.

7) Construction of control works and canals to improve present facilities and to obtain more efficient use of the perennial flows of the wadis.

8) Development of the flood flows of the wadis.

9) Construction of a power dam on the Yarmuk River near the railroad at Maqarin.

10) Construction of a power plant at Tel Hai on the Hasbani River and a power canal from the Hasbani dam to take water from the Hasbani reservoir as released for irrigation, to develop power, and then return it to the main irrigation canal.

Abu Ghosh Exiles Win Order Nisi

An order *nisi* against the Inspector General of Police and the Military Commander of the Jerusalem Corridor, to show cause why the banishment orders against a resident of Abu Ghosh and his two sons should not be annulled, was issued yesterday by the High Court in Jerusalem.

The petitioners, Sair Mohammed Abu Heikel, 68, and his sons, were exiled to Acre and Baka'a el Garbia in Galilee for three months in connection with the throwing of grenades into the youth village of Kiryat Ye'arim.

The petitioners protested their innocence and charged that they had been made the scapegoats in a feud between the police and the village. *(Itim)*

RAMLE UNEMPLOYED TRY TO STOP BUSES

RAMLE, Wednesday (ITIM).— A group of unemployed tried to stop buses here today and demanded that business cease in protest against severe unemployment.

Police, on the alert from the early hours of the morning, restored order in the town, while the unemployed gathered near the local Labour Exchange preparing to stage a parade.

About 500 unemployed are registered here daily, and no relief is in sight.

THREE TEACHERS FOR 250 PUPILS

RAMLE, Wednesday (ITIM).— The Parents' Committee of the local Minorities School complained to the Ministry of Education today that the school's 250 children have only three teachers, and that, as a result, most of the children are running about in the courtyard.

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EBAN'S NOTE TO SECURITY COUNCIL

UNITED NATIONS, Wednesday (AFP). — Israel Ambassador Abba Eban yesterday submitted to the Security Council the following complaints against the Arab countries:

1) Constant Jordan violations of the General Armistice Agreement by attacks of regular or irregular Jordan armed forces against civilians in Israel, by brutal attacks of marauders coming from Jordan against persons and property in Israel, and for neglecting to comply with, or enforce, efficient measures against such acts of violence thus endangering security along the border.

Concerted and constant efforts by Arab countries to maintain a state of tension in the region with a view to undermine its security:

(a) by proclaiming the existence of a State of War and by adopting a hostile attitude against Israel, in particular through the enforcement of illegal measures of an economic-war blockade.

(b) by propaganda and warmongering threats against Israel's territorial integrity and political independence;

(c) by refusing to seek through negotiated agreement a transition from armistice to peace.

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Cables in Brief

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STEPINAC. — A West German specialist, Dr. Ludwig Heilmeter, has visited Cardinal Aloysius Stepinac and has found his condition satisfactory.

STOWAWAYS.—Two Yugoslavs travelled more than 1,000 kilometres from Trieste to Belgium under a carriage of the Orient Express. They were arrested by Belgian Frontier Police.

BAN. — The Sudan Executive has imposed penalties of up to 14 years in prison for affiliation to the Cominform and five other Communist-organized bodies.

ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS. — Several atomic bombs are to be exploded within the next few days at the Woomera Rocket Range in Australia.

AGROUND. — A new Japanese oil tanker with 16,000 tons of crude oil ran aground in a dense fog off Liverpool yesterday.

BULL FIGHT. — Twenty thousand persons rioted in Guatemala City yesterday when a bull fight was cancelled.

ANIMALS. — Mountain lions, bears and hyenas have been sighted near the wreckage of the Mexican Dakota which crashed on a remote Mexican plateau on Monday carrying 35 passengers and a three-man crew.

LOCUSTS. — Swarms of locusts from the summer breeding areas in India and Pakistan are beginning to move westwards towards Iran and Arabia.

FIRING SQUAD. — Three Persian naval ratings were shot at dawn yesterday after being found guilty of attempting to set fire to a 1,652-ton Persian frigate.

Noted Scientists Uphold Freedom of Expression

HAVERFORD, Penn. Wednesday (UP). — An organization of world scientists, including Nobel Prize winners Albert Einstein and Max Borna, said today that scientists must lose their fear of being "labelled" for saying things they believe.

A statement released by the Society for Social Responsibility in Science called on fellow scientists to "maintain and strengthen the spirit of free inquiry by clear and courageous public expression of considered opinions concerning the relations of science and society."

"It is time that we learned to lose our fear of being 'labelled' for saying things we profoundly believe in," the statement said. "This fear must be overcome if we are to preserve the trust and fellowship, the loyalty to truth and the freedom of inquiry which we recognize as fundamental to science..."

LYDDA DEMONSTRATIONS

LYDDA, Wednesday. — Three groups of over 100 unemployed demonstrated here at different times during the day today. One demonstration took place outside the Municipal Council Hall, while the two others occurred near the Labour Exchange. Towards evening, the Lydda Labour Council met the demonstrators and promised them work for tomorrow morning.

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IT is difficult to foretell how protracted the suspension of the United States Grant-in-Aid to Israel is likely to be, but it is certain that a re-casting of Israel's foreign currency budget will be the first result of the pressure now being exerted against Israel by the United States. Drastic economies will have to be made in consumption and these, in their turn, will necessitate sizeable cuts in the Development Budget. Consumer goods, which are bought with the hard currency made available by Grants-in-Aid, are sold to the Israel public, and the money thus realized in local coin, in turn, finances to a considerable degree the country's development projects. A drastic cut in consumers' goods therefore means a serious reduction in the resources available for development. This sets up a detrimental chain reaction, for the development plan had been designed to push Israel more quickly towards her goal of economic independence.

THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSIBILITY

The Israel public might shortly be called upon to make considerable sacrifices to meet the situation. There is likely to be a more severe shortage of many types of food (such as meat) which already are now in short supply. Semi-luxury goods — if they can be so called — such as tea and coffee, will need to be strictly rationed at a much smaller amount than has been distributed until now, and scarcities will be felt in many other ranges of domestic consumer goods, quite apart from food.

This implies a heavy and urgent responsibility for the average citizen of Israel who will be required to adjust himself to the new conditions. The reaction to the American withholding of Grant-in-Aid has been, in some ways, positive and constructive. The opinion has been freely expressed that now an effort must be made by every section of the population to drive on towards independence. Many feel as though a moral burden has been lifted from the shoulders of the people and that from now on there will be a greater sense of achievement in what Israel can accomplish on her own. The country is entering, as it were, a period of siege, and, as the War of Liberation showed, in such a condition the real mettle of Israelis — old and new — is truly revealed. There has been considerable talk in the past few months of a decline in the general morale. One of the positive and salutary effects of the present crisis might very well be that it will provide that regeneration of public morale so long sought after.

The lead in this direction will no doubt issue from the Government in the near future. The slogan to Israel will be to work harder, produce more and consume less. The crisis, however, will not be overcome, nor will Israel be able to solve the problems arising from the withdrawal of Grant-in-Aid — be it temporary or permanent — only by a boost in public morale, an increase in effort and productivity and a decrease in consumption. Such expedients can go a long way towards alleviating the situation, but by no means will they relieve it entirely. A great responsibility also will fall on Jewry abroad to help in filling the gap which will be created in Israel's foreign exchange position. A supreme effort will have to be made by the United Israel Appeal everywhere as well as by the Independence Loan; and in this connection it is a positive gain that the Prime Minister's Economic Conference should convene on Sunday. The present developments will inject a note of grim realism into the proceedings.

But finally it must never be forgotten that the basic lesson of the present situation is an all-out drive by Israel to reach as quickly as possible the stage where even the need for reliance on a loyal and generous Jewish diaspora should quickly and progressively be diminished.

A Drive Around East Berlin

By HAL LEHRMAN

BERLIN. — MORE than four months after the June 17 uprising, the Soviet German regime is still groggy, worried and unsure of itself. This becomes immediately apparent to anyone who crosses over into East Berlin and simply reads the placards, banners and other inspirational decorations festooning the streets of that dismal half-city.

Four years ago, when this correspondent was last here, the poster art in the Communist sector of Berlin was confident and aggressive. Its dominant theme was Down with Imperialism; its favourite target was the West, its favourite image, a villainous Uncle Sam with a knife in his teeth, a tommy gun over his shoulder, and bags of gold in his hands.

Practically all of this has disappeared. During a two-hour tour of East Berlin this morning I saw only one flashback to the old style. It was a billboard appeal to "the women of democratic Germany" to spurn American food packages. An Amazonian female was bending back the wrist of a star-spangled arm which clutched a bag presumably containing food but actually spilling over with vials of poison.

Defensive Propaganda

Instead of taking the offensive, today's propaganda is defensive and apologetic. Placard after placard pathetically alleges the faith and love which "The People" (*Das Volk*) are supposed to feel for their Government.

One of the first banners which greet the eye proclaims: "Have Trust in the Democratic German Republic—regime of Peace and Labour!"

A little farther down the once magnificent but now drab "Unter den Linden," morose East Berliners are invoked to "Stand Firm Behind the Struggle for Peace and Unity!"

"Forward Together with Pieck and Grotewohl!" roars a 20-foot-high poster near the Alexanderplatz. This is the hub of Soviet Berlin's shopping district, where every store is an "H-O" (Government free-price shop or "Konsum" (cooperative). In these State-run enterprises, you can buy anything you want without limit—if you can afford it. A pair of imitation-leather shoes, for instance, is "attractively priced" at 130 East Marks. But the average monthly wage of a skilled worker in the East German Paradise is 400 marks, and an unskilled worker gets 260 marks and less.

There is no escape from the exhortations to be loyal and grateful. Even in the H-O cafe where I stopped to drink some Chinese "democratic people's" tea, a flaming red sign over my head bawled down at me: "We March behind the Government — Toward Germany's Unification."

Nor is the citizen safe from the cheering once inside his own four walls. On every apartment-house doorway I noted a handwritten summons from the local "block watcher" to the inmates to gather tomorrow for "spontaneous" celebration. One text said: "Tenants of Block C-South will meet this Sunday before the main entrance to join in the international memorial for the victims of Fascism." No invitation this, but a firm order.

This particular house is on Stalinallee, East Berlin's much-touted "Wonder Mile," where the regime is completing a thunderous project of 10,000 housing units in heavy Moscow style along both sides of the former Frankfurter Allee.

It is the only residential construction which the "democratic" regime has accomplished despite unending protestations of concern for "workers". (West Berlin, in the same post-war period, has built at least eight times as many private homes and apartments).

I looked into an exhibition of a model Stalinallee apartment. The rents are reasonable enough: 39 marks for a two-room flat, 77 marks and up for three rooms, depending on the square footage.

The trouble begins when a 250 mark per month worker starts to hunt for furniture. On display inside the model apartments were complete livingroom and bedroom suites, with price tags. An ordinary three-cushion couch in plain upholstery sells for 500 to 650 marks — twice or more than the breadwinner in the family earns in 30 days. Even a spindly chair with stuffed seat and wooden back costs him 150 marks.

Stalinallee, incidentally, sparked the angry demonstrations last June which electrified the world and temporarily seared the East German puppet regime out of its wits.

Over a workshed on the incompleted part of the boulevard I saw a sign which declared: "The Grotewohl Government Has the Confidence of the Building Workers!"

'Impromptu' Signs

Every similar slogan I had seen elsewhere around East Berlin was machine made and professionally drawn. But this one was on a crude backboard, with sloppy hand-lettering. It was obviously intended to suggest that the June 17 risings didn't really have the support of the workers, who were showing their genuine feelings now, in this "impromptu" tribute to the regime.

If I needed reassurance about the true sentiments of East Berliners, I had it in the way they acted toward an isolated American like myself. Last time, in 1949, people nervously looked the other way as I walked along the street, and clerks kept very busy at the far end of their shops.

This time, though the car from which we emerged at different stops in the tour was wildly conspicuous because of its official U.S. licence plates, my State Department guide and I were smiled at and waved after. The sales personnel in an H-O bookshop were positively friendly. The waiter in the H-O cafe talked to us enthusiastically in English. The girl behind the counter gave us extra-large slices of cake.

Lassie Has a Nose for Hashish

By M.Y. BEN-GAVRIEL

IN Beit Dagon last week I was introduced to a dog whose fame spreads throughout the world, and who is more dreaded by drug traffickers than was Russel Pasha by the famous Egyptian anti-narcotics squad. I was very much in awe.

Lassie was born in Jerusalem in 1948, and very soon joined the police in order to be trained for regular duties. She was not very successful as a student and would have been sent home but for the following incident. One day a policeman laughingly told her master, Razin, what a wonderful thing it would be if detectives could smell out hashish. The detective replied that a man could certainly not smell out hashish but that a dog might. Lassie's sense of smell turned out to be very acute and a special five-month course was arranged for her. As a result, she can smell the smallest grain of hashish, and she would not, of course, dream of allowing herself to be distracted by the smell of a cat or a piece of sausage.

We then set out to watch Lassie, barely 50 centimetres high, daughter of a German sheepdog and an anonymous father. Her first task was comparatively simple: let loose in a fairly large garden, where hashish was thought to be buried, she ran around in all directions and suddenly stopped to scratch excitedly somewhere in the centre. Sure enough, within a minute she brought a large packet of hashish to the surface.

The second job was more demanding. We all adjourned to a nearby cafe where Lassie was allowed to roam at her leisure. She started walking idly among the customers, licking their hands, wagging her tail, just like any other dog. At one table she became very friendly with a man: she let him stroke her head, and nestled in the crook of his elbow. Then suddenly she got up on her hind-legs, and, with uncanny speed, stuck her pointed nose inside the man's shirt and drew out a packet of hashish.

Asked whether Lassie could also discover other drugs, such as heroin or morphia, I was told that she concentrated on hashish exclusively and that not the tiniest quantity would escape her.

Once, in an Arab house in Jaffa, previously unsuccessfully searched by the police, Lassie discovered hashish in the secret drawer of a desk, and on another occasion in Haifa she made straight for the roof and chased the pigeons out of their cote to discover more of the forbidden drug.

Produced in Syria and smuggled through Israel into Egypt, hashish is extremely expensive, and traffickers will go to any length to deliver it safely.

Lassie in action. Photo by Herz

The trafficker knows the risks he is taking, for severe punishment awaits him if he is caught, but hashish is almost worth its weight in gold. Lassie is causing smugglers severe headaches, for, to date, there is no way of eliminating the characteristic smell of the drug; and she will soon be joined by other dogs now in training.

OPIUM KEEPS CHINESE IN BURMA

BANGKOK, (NANA)

OPIUM long has made trouble for customs officials all round the world, but recently it has also interfered seriously with diplomacy.

For some months, efforts have been under way to remove some 15,000 Chinese Nationalist troops from Burmese territory to Formosa. There is little doubt among diplomats here that the Formosa Government is sincerely willing to arrange the transfer, but the attraction of opium is expected to be stronger than Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's magnetism.

It is expected that some 2,000 of these Chinese irregulars soon will be shipped to Formosa, but whether any others can be persuaded to leave the opium-rich border regions of Burma is very doubtful, unless the opium smuggling can be stopped. Opium has made these Chinese bands so rich that they are completely independent of the Formosan Government and therefore it is not surprising that they are unwilling to give up such a good thing for the vastly cramped liberty of Formosa.

'Nerve Gas' New Weapon

By JOHN M. ROSSON

WASHINGTON (N.A.N.A.)— WHILE the world's greatest fear in recent years has centred around the Atomic and Hydrogen bombs, public concern for other weapons—just as lethal in character — has all but gone by the board.

One of these is nerve gas—by far the most potent war chemical known to man. At a recent closed-door hearing Civil Defence Administrator Val Peterson told the House Appropriations Committee that Russia would probably resort to "nerve gases and other chemical agents in any attack on this country."

Nerve gas is a German invention. It ranks with the most horrible of weapons because of the alarming speed with which it downs its victims, the extraordinary difficulties encountered in rescue operations and its capacity for causing panic. It is difficult to discover until it is too late to do anything. Death may follow contamination in one to 20 minutes, depending on the dosage. And the gas is contagious: contact with a nerve gas victim can contaminate physicians, ambulances and hospital equipment.

The gas enters the body through the eyes, nose, mouth and pores seeking out the nervous system. It does not affect the lungs or skin, but by damaging the nerves it renders muscles useless and seriously affects the brain.

In either of its two forms—liquid or fumes—nerve gas will easily penetrate normal thicknesses of clothing and cause instant death if introduced into the body in food or water.

The highly toxic fumes can remain in an area for as long as 12 hours. Food, water and clothing will hold them even longer. Effective defences against nerve gas contamination are startlingly few. Extraordinarily heavy clothing would help only to a small extent. Structural enclosures would prevent contamination only if all outside air was prevented from entering. Gas masks would help a little, but every pore of the body holds the door wide open for nerve gas.

Nerve gas cases are treated with a common drug called Atropine, which can do much for minor cases, but for the more seriously affected it can only ease the pain.

Men and Things

ALIMONY is a subject full of strong sporting interest. At the moment, the prominent challenger is ex-Queen Narriman, who is reported to be entering the ring for a purse of $11,000 a month, possibly for life—really an attractive sum even in these days of inflation. For the male mind, alimony has a morbid fascination, along with topics like cirrhosis of the liver, the penalty clause in a contract, or the safety device in a hand grenade. It allures because it may be tampered with at peril. But for woman, the interest in alimony is more wholesome and robust; her equivalent of big game hunting.

Train the sights carefully, hold the breath and a steady pressure on the trigger, and down comes the trophy which up to that moment had been scampering carelessly round the jungle and having everything his own way. For the future, his place is in a glass case above the umbrellas and walking sticks. This happening, of course, arouses much sympathy among other jungle dwellers; in such matters all men are brothers. But sympathy is one thing, justice another; and once the award as been given, pay he must.

Alimony, then, is one of the facts of life about which every young man should be taught. Looked at steadily, it need not become a nightmare. As he and his lovely partner sail across life's ocean, he may see alimony as a cruel rock likely to hole the ship. But for her, it becomes a refuge where she may sit after the wreck, dry herself, and (who knows) beckon to some other ship.

W.L.R.

Readers' Letters

EAST AND WEST

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The East-West controversy is a question vital to the internal stability of the State and should not be shirked. I think it is high time that the European as well as the Oriental communities should be taught the wisdom "to see ourselves as others see us." The results would be interesting and constructive. The issue will determine whether our State will head irrevocably towards Levantinism or imbibe all that is best of Western culture.

It is true that we Orientals can learn much from the Europeans though those who rate spiritual and moral values higher than what Mr. Loya (your issue of October 2) called "mediocre technology" would concede that Europeans also can learn from us; but, as Mr. Stephen Spender remarked during his visit to Israel, it is feared that it is not sufficiently appreciated that Oriental culture can also contribute to our educational programme.

It is we, the Jews from Iraq who, influenced as we are in the best tradition of Western culture, English and French alike, are completely free from that ghetto mentality which is the bane of a great many East-Europeans who pose as the carriers of the torch of Western culture and Western civilization.

Spiritual Vacuum

Nor is everything right with us. Many of us are now moving in a spiritual vacuum, not knowing whether to discard all the moral and the ethical values that our fathers inculcated in us, or whether to repudiate what some consider the crass materialism of our new environment. True, the feebler stuff has drifted (and some are asking to drift) with the current, but the core of our intelligentsia find themselves in much the same unhappy position most poignantly described by Matthew Arnold:

"Wandering between two worlds, one dead,
The other powerless to be born."

And we feel this more strongly than the other sections of the population who do not know, or perhaps have never known, what they are missing.

It is for this reason that many have chosen the easier path. I feel no sympathy with those "Westernized" orientals who disparage everything that smacks of the Orient. For example, I fail to see why Mr. Nathaniel (your issue of October 2) wasn't able to appreciate Beethoven in Iraq unless he was too young to do so at that time. Nor do I see why he (and Messrs. I.M. and S.K. — your issue of Oct. 16) should think that all marriages in Iraq are conducted through *shadkhanim* though it has not yet been proved that "love marriages" are happier or more stable than such prearranged marriages.

I am the first to ignore the question of discrimination. But as you yourself pointed out in your Leader of September 25, discrimination can also be enforced by custom and social pressure. You must, if you are an Oriental, be highly educated, tolerant, with a deep understanding of human nature, in order to find your place among the more snobbish sections of the European population, and not a few generations must pass before a healthy social interchange between Europeans and Orientals can be effected.

I would suggest, therefore, that less effort be made to westernise the Iraqis, and more to try (and here I join Mr. Mashiya in his just plea) and ensure us at least the same standard of education that was within our reach in Iraq, as well as decent housing. Our well-wishers would do us and themselves a real service, were they to choose to inculcate in all Israelis the teachings and the values of Judaism in order to put an end to the metaphysical and spiritual vacuum of our youth, the bad manners of our boys and girls, and the very low standard of morality of young and old.

Natural Bridge

"There seems to be no reason for preventing the Arab Jews from making whatever contribution they have to make," writes "The Times Literary Supplement" in its issue of September 11, 1963. "Indeed, there is no possibility of preventing them. Israel is a Western State, but a Western State in the Middle East, and it will not be able to escape the natural consequences of its geographical position."

The best, though not the least contribution that we could make, actual as well as potential, is this: we can be a bridge that will bring Jews and Arabs together. This we can do without prejudicing, as some officials seated in high places fear, the Western character of our country and without fear on our part of marring our own Eastern tradition.

Yours, etc.,
ELIAHU H. KHAZOUM.
Jerusalem, October 19.

MONEY GIFTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your correspondent, H.N., M.D. elicited his statement and question in a very clear manner (your issue of October 5). He asked why recipients of more than $112 per month, in the form of gifts, must expect a virtual confiscation of 40 per cent of the remainder. It is perfectly obvious that such an attitude by the Treasury can act as a deterrent to legal transfers of foreign currency.

However, after a careful examination of the reply, one feels lost in a haze of words. I have asked the help of several people but connection between answer and question was not established, and remained a mystery to all of us. Could the Ministry explain, in a straightforward manner, why people in general are barred from receiving more than $112, in gifts, per month, by being punished with a reduction in rate of exchange?

Yours etc.,
A. BOBROW
Tel Aviv, October 15.

COMPOSERS' PROBLEMS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In his Radio Review of October 16, Audio raises the question of transcribing programmes of Israel music for overseas broadcasts, and the opposition of the Israel Composers' Union. Audio agrees "that composers must be paid for performances of their works," but blames the composers for not reaching agreement.

Surely it is obvious that the composer wishes to reach as wide an audience as possible; what is perhaps less well known is that a composer who wishes to have his works performed must, at his own expense, provide the performers both here and elsewhere with the complete material of the performance, which at present can run into hundreds of pounds.

Refund of this expense plays a negligible part in the budget of our broadcasting services, and there is no reason why a transcription service, quite expensive to maintain technically, should not also be planned adequately to recompense the composer. When all is said and done, it is impossible for the radio to give a true picture of our culture without his compositions.

Yours etc.,
ISRAELI MUSIC PUBLICATIONS LTD.
Tel Aviv, October 16.

CURRENCY REFORM

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—The present time, when the Government is considering fixing the rate of exchange of the Israel pound at IL.1.800 to the dollar, would be an excellent opportunity for currency reform.

It is generally acknowledged that the smallest unit in our currency, the pruta, is now of historical value and interest only and has no purchasing value. Would it not be reasonable to make 10 prutot or one piastre the standard smallest money unit?

Such a course would save many working hours in business, in the banks and therefore to our economy in general. A conservative estimate of the time saved per year through this small reform is 200,000 working hours.

Some insurance companies and industrial organizations have already instructed their staffs to ignore prutot in bookkeeping. And in the U.S. the smallest unit used in internal transfers between post offices is one dollar; this move will save the nation large sums of money.

Yours etc.,
S. MAUTNER
Tel Aviv, October 7.

CRITIC CRITICIZED

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is Erango's right, as music critic, to speak his mind, but his way of criticizing Ben Zion Orgad's Cantata (October 4) is discouraging, shows lack of good will, and does not add to the reputation of a newspaper read in many parts of the world-where outstanding musicians and composers have acclaimed the "talentless" composer's musical talent.

Yours etc.,
L.H.
Tel Aviv, October 6.

BUS SERVICE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Unfortunately I am forced to use Hamekasher's No. 18 bus at least four times a day. For reasons of economy I always buy a IL.1— ticket, but yesterday afternoon and evening I was unable to obtain one. The driver told me: "I have none" and suggested that I take a 48-prutot ticket instead. This is not the first time that this has happened to me.

Will Hamekasher kindly explain why many drivers do not have these tickets on sale? Is this conduct "service to the customer," and how does this fact comply with the decisions of the Controller of Road Transport?

Yours etc.,
B.B.
Jerusalem.

Hamekasher Replies

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Faults have cropped up in our service recently owing to the heavy demands made upon it by the traffic to and from the Exhibition grounds in Jerusalem. New workers were employed and drivers taken off their regular routes, all of which caused a slight dislocation.

We have now printed special tickets for all lines. For the sake of increased efficiency, we have arrived at an agreement with shopkeepers situated along the most central parts of the routes who will sell every type of ticket at all hours of the day.

We hope that there will be no further cause for complaint.

Yours etc.,
A.L.,
for Hamekasher.
Jerusalem.

KEEPING POSTED

WAR was changed into peace on both sides of the Israel-Jordan border this week — at least in song. An American folk singer, Miss Virginia Davis, broadcast over Ramallah Radio one evening, and a day later over Kol Yisrael the African Gold Coast song which is

now called "Peace" (but which used to be sung before going to war). Miss Davis, who is known as "Lady Troubador," is collecting folk songs. Her tour began in Ireland and has taken her to England, France, Majorca, Italy, Yugoslavia, Greece and Egypt. She has now left for Cyprus and will go to Istanbul, before returning to Paris and New York.

THE Authors, Composers and Publishers' Society, the Hebrew abbreviation for which is AKUM, is suing a Tel Aviv cinema for showing "The Juggler" without their permission, as two songs in the film were composed by members of the union. The union's obvious disrespect for stardom belies their name which also a well known abbreviation of [illegible] *which means "Worshippers of the Stars." Nevertheless, the term was once applied to idolators, so perhaps the choice of name is not so inapt after all.*

A BRITISH film now showing in Tel Aviv reminds us of a day once spent at the Rank Film Studios at Pinewood, outside London. Among all the "props" the thing that caught our eye was a rack full of beautiful blond tresses of natural hair which, we were assured, came from the heads of Greek girls entering nunneries. Our big moment came when the crew climbed into their traditional canvas-backed chairs and shouted "Action" all over the place. This went on for about an hour and a half during which time we fell in love with tiny delicate Elizabeth Sellars of the large eyes and long hair (her own). Between each "take" propmen dashed in and sprayed the set with fresh paint and make-up men re-touched the protagonists. The latter were in a state of real tension and quite often bungled a line, although none of this was noticeable in the finished product. When we finally viewed the film the 90 minutes of actual "shooting" had yielded some 90 seconds of that scene, and we then and there gave up any idea of acting even opposite Miss Sellars, whom we shall continue to enjoy on the screen, magnified indeed some 180 times.

WE once saw a film about post-war Italy in which the director led the actors through the black-market of an Italian town, where at every stall a sort of "price stabilization" was observed. Our black market researcher came in yesterday and quoted from a book on Berlin by the German Jewish author, Curt Reiss, as follows:

"... the most amazing thing was that on the same day one always paid the same price for butter, whether one bought it from the barber, the tailor or at the coffee shop. It seemed that all blackmarketeers came to a daily agreement about prices, but how this was possible and how and who decided the prices, nobody was ever able to discover... and nobody ever found out, not even the police..."

Our black market man then reported Haifa and Tel Aviv prices for black eggs, margarine and chocolate to be exactly the same. In Haifa he was offered an egg for 18 grush; on the Carmel, down town in a shop and at the ma'hara. Next day in Tel Aviv's Carmel "market" there were baskets of eggs everywhere and the price was — 17 grush. Rushing back to Haifa he discovered the price (in the ma'hara and the shops), was 17 grush. We still don't know how it's done, but if we find out, we'll let the Ministry of Commerce and Industry in on a few administrative pointers.

THE Japanese claim that one way to beat the black market and fill a growing nation's collective stomach, is not just to grow more food, but to find substantial substitutes. There was a mild flutter among Asian housewives last week, when the wife of Japan's Minister of Food claimed that she had fed artificial rice to her husband for a week without his noticing it. We now hear from a milling firm set up by Swiss and Israel investors in Rehovot that they have been producing artificial rice from wheat under a newly patented process for over a year, and haven't so much as bothered to blow their trumpet about it or to announce that the product isn't even rationed. All we need now is an artificial egg.

OF course all our troubles, as everyone knows, will be over as soon as we strike oil, though why we bother drilling here is beyond us. The "give-

away" to end all give-aways on a soap-sponsored radio quiz in the U.S. this week is a real live producing oil well.

Today's contributors include: A.F. of Haifa, S. Barer of Tel Aviv; and A.A. and E.M. of Jerusalem. Ill.1. will be paid for every contribution incorporated in this column.

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